

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Deepak Tandon, et al.

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FOR: "Thermally Modified Carbon Blacks for Various Type Applications and a Process for Producing Same"

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RESPONSE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the Final Office Action dated August 21, 2007. Applicant is submitting this response together with a Request for Continuing Examination. A shortened statutory period was set to expire three months from the date of the Office Action making a response due by November 21, 2007. Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response for two months from November 21, 2007 to January 21, 2008. The necessary extension fee is being charged to Deposit Account 50-0694.

There are currently 36 claims pending in the case. Claims 4-7, 10-16 and 26-36 are withdrawn from consideration while claims 1-3, 8, 9 and 17-25 will remain in the case and are rejected. This response is being submitted in order to place the case in condition for allowance.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows: